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AND
ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

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VENDUE.

ON TUESDAY and FRIDAY, in every week, at 10 o'clock in the morning, will be exposed for sale at the Vendue Store (corner of Prince and Water streets)

A VARIETY OF

WET & DRY GOODS.

Of which the particulars will be given previous to the sale.

The VENDUE MASTERS will always keep the Store open for the reception of GOODS, and selling of such articles therein between the times of public sales as may be on limitation. They likewise offer their services in transacting any kind of Commission Business,

MARSTELLER & SONS.

April 5th, 1796.

PUBLIC SALES.

WILL BE SOLD,
On Saturday the 10th inst.

A valuable lot of ground

on the North side of King Street, adjoining the lot of Robert Mease—fronting south on said street 34 feet 4 inches, by 81 or 82 feet deep—bounded northerly by Ramsay's alley 22 feet wide. Good Bills of Exchange on Philadelphia at 60 days date, will be taken in payment.

MARSTELLER & SONS.

Dec. 1.

FALL GOODS.

Joseph Riddle & Co.

HAVE IMPORTED

In the ship Henry from London, the ships Two Sisters, the Maria Margaretta, the Catharine, and the Virginia, from Liverpool,

A VERY GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

PIECE GOODS, & HARDWARE,

Also, Pewter, Steel, Nails, Lead, & Shot, Porter and Cheese, Allum, Madder, and Copperas, Seine and Sewing Twine, and Queen's Ware in Crates, well assorted, which they offer for sale at their Warehouse on Swift's alley, opposite Patton and Butcher's Store. October 27.

Andrew & Wm. Ramsay

Have imported in the brig Dolly, via. New-York from Oporto, ten pipes, ten hhds. and twenty quarter casks of

PORT WINE,

of a very superior quality which they now offer for sale at their warehouse, King-street.

They have also on hand,

Madeira Wine in pipes, hhds. and quarter casks. Lisbon do. in pipes. Teneriffe do. in hhds. Sherry do. in quarter casks. Port do. in bottles and a quantity of well assorted bar iron.

Dec. 6. tf

INSURANCE OFFICE.

A NUMBER of persons having agreed to form themselves into a Company, for the Insurance of Vessels, Cargoes, &c. under the direction of the subscriber, who hereby gives notice, that an Office will be opened for that purpose to-morrow, at Mr. Gadsby's, and be open every day, Sundays excepted, from 12 till 2 o'clock, where all persons who with to make insurance will please to apply, when a list of the Members, and the regulations of the company may be seen.

LEMUEL BENT.

Dec. 6.

☞ Said Bent will transact any business in the line of a Broker with attention and fidelity. Apply as above or at his house in St. Asaph Street.

Wanted Immediately,

AN Overseer on the shares, on Shenandoah river, to work ten fellows with good horses, &c. found. The land is very good, and a very good share will be allowed. Any person that may suit, will no doubt, produce satisfactory testimony of his ability, honesty, sobriety and industry. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Korn and Wisemiller, Alexandria, or to John Holker on Shenandoah river, Frederick County.

Nov. 25. 3m ep.

For Norfolk.

THE SHIP

ELIZA,

John Borrowdale, Master, to sail on the 15th inst.—Freight will be taken on low terms.

Wm. WILSON.

December 6.

THE NEW SHIP

LIBERTY,

Intended as a constant trader to London, will be ready to take in next week, part of her cargo being already engaged.—She is expected to sail early in December—for freight or passage immediate application is requested to be made to captain Eveleth, or to the subscribers,

ELISHA C. DICK,
JOHN MANDEVILLE.

November 10. tf

For Freight or Charter,

To the West-Indies, Charleston, or New-York,

The fast sailing Brig

LIBERTY,

William Duer, master, burthen 108 tons, will carry 850 bbls. in complete order to receive a cargo. For terms apply to the captain on board, or to

ALEXANDER SMITH.

At his warehouse on Union Street.

December 6.

For Belfast,

THE BRIG

LYDIA,

Will sail the 15th of next month, having part of her cargo engaged.—For freight or passage apply to the captain on board, or to

ALEXANDER SMITH.

ALEXANDER SMITH

RESPECTFULLY informs the Citizens of Alexandria, and its vicinity, that he has selected and intends to have always for sale, the best FLOUR for family use.—He also begs leave to inform the Public, that he has on hand an extensive assortment of BOULTING CLOTHS, warranted to be of the first quality, and will be sold at the most reduced prices for cash, at his Warehouse on Union street.

November 22.

For Charter,

THE BRIG

Virginia,

Burthen 300 hhds of tobacco.——For terms apply to

SHREVE & LAWRASON.

Who have for sale—Queen's ware in crates, well assorted; glass ware; double Gloucester cheese in hampers; Liverpool salt in sacks and loose; pipes in boxes; pearl barley in kegs; barr lead; candles by the box

Oct. 18 tf.

A GOOD STAND FOR BUSINESS IS OFFERED FOR SALE.

THAT two story Frame House, at present occupied as a Shoe Store, by Messrs. Josiah Faxon and Co. situate on the north side of Prince Street. The lot is 20 feet front and 88 feet 8¼ inches deep, and then widening to 26 feet, afterwards extending that bredth 89 feet to Wales's alley, making the whole convenient, there being sufficient room for a warehouse on the back lot. For further particulars apply to

JOHN & THOS. VOWELL.

December 9. tf

Figs and Almonds.

In Casks and Boxes. For sale by

J. G. LADD.

December 8.

MR. George W. Dent is empowered to collect all debts due to me on my private account, as well as those that are, or may become due on account of the late concern of J. M. M'Rea and Co. If there can in any such case be a ground to justify a hope, that those indebted will, upon application, either pay or give their notes at a reasonable date for their respective debts—Arguments are unnecessary to demonstrate it on the present occasion.

ELISHA C. DICK.

December 1.

John & Thomas Vowell

HAVE removed to Union Street, near Mr. Alexander Smith's, where they have for sale,—

N. E. Rum in Hogsheads.
Apple Brandy in do.
Mould and Dipt Candles,
Sugar and Coffee in barrels,
Coarse and fine Salt, and a number of other articles.

They continue to purchase for cash, all kinds of country produce.

Wanted,—One thousand bushels of good clean Flax Seed, for which a generous price will be given.

To Rent,—The House formerly occupied by them on Prince Street.

November 22. 3w

William Groverman

Has for sale at his Warehouse in King street, next door above Mr. Thomas Patton,

An Assortment of

German Linens,

Consisting of Osnaburgs of different quality, brown roles and hempen, Ticklenburgs, ½ flaxen, 5 4 white cowlaps, 2 and 3 bushel bags ——Also,—Russia Sheeting, bed ticks, oil cloths, Mens' and Womens' fulled stockings and gloves, a quantity of window glass, 8 by 10, and 10 by 12, hollow glass assorted, cases with bottles of all sizes, looking glasses, snuff boxes, and coffee mills. He expects daily some of the best Holland Gin.

Likewise, he offers for sale,

His Plantation in Frederick County, within 11 miles of Winchester, containing 250 acres, 40 of it is in meadow, the whole well watered. Also, one House and Lot in Winchester, situate in Market street, and 800 acres of Land in the county of Hampshire.

November 26. 3w

Carne & Slade

Have just imported, by the Juno and Union from Bristol, and the Virginia, from Liverpool,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

HARDWARE

AND

IRONMONGERY,

Which they offer for sale, wholesale and retail, at their store in Fairfax-street, adjoining Ricketts and Newton's new buildings.

The following articles are a part:

Sad Irons, Anvils, Sheet iron, bolt iron, tin plate, frying pans, smiths' hammers and sledges, scale beams from 14 inches to a size that will weigh a ton; a general assortment of nails, tacks and brads; do. of all other building materials, brass work for cabinet makers, brass patent and other cocks, brick-layers' trowels, spring rat traps, curry combs and horse brushes, a variety of rules, iron and brass candle sticks, coffee mills, chamber and kitchen bellows, fleelyards, fire irons, iron wire, waggon traces, sifters, wood and bed screws, hoes, spades, pins, cast iron weights, with a variety of other articles.

They have likewise for sale,—Bar iron, waggon boxes, nail rods, and blistered steel, Liverpool and St. Ubes' Salt, shop and packing thread and files.

N. B. They expect daily a general assortment of Cutlery.—Cash given for Flaxseed.

Nov. 24. tf.

FOR SALE,

25 Puncheons 4th proof ANTIGUA RUM, and a quantity of LIVERPOOL SALT.

[illegible] HURST & CO.

October 27 epif.

Mandeville & Jamesson,

HAVE JUST RECEIVED,

Four boxes, } IRISH LINENS well
One Bale } assorted.
Twenty puncheons 4th proof Rum,
Fresh Raisins in kegs, boxes, & jars,
Do. Figs in frails and jars,
Do. Grapes in jars,
Soft shelled Almonds,
A few boxes Sweetmeats,
Do. Capers.

Also—Coarse and fine Salt, with a very general assortment of Groceries, which they will sell for cash, or at the usual credit.

☞ A good Clerk wanted.

Also, a Black Man to hire as a Porter by the year.

Dec. 8.

JUST RECEIVED,
From New-York, and for sale by

STEPHEN ALLEY,

A general assortment of

Ladies', Gentlemens', and Childrens' SHOES, &c.

December 8.

THE Subscribers have imported in the last vessels from London, and Liverpool,

A CONSIDERABLE ASSORTMENT OF

FALL GOODS.

Which they will dispose of on liberal terms, by the piece or package, to punctual men.

Wm. B. MAGRUDER & CO.

George-Town, Nov. 8. epif.

JOHN G. LADD,

HAS JUST RECEIVED,

A few casks fresh Malaga Raisons,
40 barrels prime Boston Beef,
4 7½ Inch Cables,

For sale, at his Warehouse on Prince Street.

November 22.

Flour Store.

THOMAS PETERKIN will Store Flour for any length of time, at six pence per barrel, in the warehouse lately occupied by James M. M'Rea and Co. adjoining Messrs. Shreve and Lawrason.

Where he has for sale,

Coarse and Fine Salt, West India & N.E. Rum, Loaf & Brown Sugar, Coffee, Pepper, Indigo, and Salt Petre, London Porter in hampers, Queen's Ware in crates, Tanner's Oil, 3d. and 4d. Nails, fine bushel sacks twilled, 100 barrels Tar.

November 15.

FOR SALE,

A HOUSE and Lot, on Fairfax-street, in fee simple, lying north, and adjoining to Bryan Hampton's, now occupied by John Duffey.—The lot is 38 feet front, and 100 feet deep. The house is a large 2 story frame; with a back building of brick, with a cellar under the whole. There is also a frame stable on this lot.

One other Lot of Ground on Wolf-street, 80 feet, running back 106 feet 5 inches to a 10 feet alley on which is erected a back frame building, in which Thomas Irwin now resides. This lot is subject to a ground rent of four pounds per annum. For terms apply to

October 13. JOHN JANNEY.

Spanish Hides,
BLOWN SALT,
PORK,
TAR,
COFFEE,
ANTIGUA RUM,
ENGLISH CHEESE,
LONDON PORTER in Hampers,
One trunk of IRISH LINENS,
Some elegant CLOCKS,

FOR SALE BY

Fletcher & Otway.

ALSO,

An Elegant Charriot,

Of the best workmanship, made in Paris, with harness complete; and

A Riding [illegible] Chair.

October 13. tf.

The Columbian Mirror
AND
ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

FROM THE DAILY GAZETTE.

TO
P. A. ADET,
Late Minister from the French Republic—Now suspended.

SPECIAL INTERROGATORIES.

YOU may deem it a gross intrusion, that having been the Representative of a great republic, an individual who has no pretensions to consequence but that which is attached to the character of an American Freeman and Freeholder, should make you the subject of a personal address. But sir, if you was now clothed in all the lustre of Plenipotentiary powers, from the republics and monarchies of Europe combined, I should, under existing circumstances, venture to approach your greatness with that freedom, which your own temerity has rendered just and necessary.

You have dared to insult the first magistrate of our country. You have dared to insult the whole Executive. And in this you have dared to insult me, and every independant freeman of the United States. You have insulted us all personally by an appeal which supposes we ourselves hold our government in contempt—That we may be the dupes to your intrigue—That you may abuse our feelings—and that you may interfere with the most important privilege freemen can enjoy, that of pure and unbiassed elections.

You must have supposed, this could be done with impunity; and that neither the government nor the people have the fortitude to stem the current of your audacity and finesse. But sir, you are most egregiously mistaken.—We are not yet enchained by the Directory.—We are not yet like the miserable Batavians, become hewers of wood and drawers of water to a French Directory.—We are not yet the luxurious and effeminate, or the ignorant and enslaved people of Italy.—Poor Batavians, they are so griped, by the fraternal squeezes of their dear sister republic, that they are ready to rise *en masse* and cut the throats of every Frenchman in their country.

We wish the French, freedom and republican government. But it does not follow from thence that we have surrendered our wills implicitly to them. That we are to be dragooned into a war at their beck—and in all things to become the perfect automatons of French management. Such however are the rocks your government has split upon.

The impression made upon us as a nation, from the unremitted efforts of your republic to force, or chicane us into an unnecessary and unpromising contest with Great-Britain. The reiterated insults to our government, and continued interference with our internal policy.

The meddling even with our sacred rights of election, and combinations with a few wicked citizens of our own to excite rebellion—disorganization, and disunion of our confederacy; have established an impression, that your republic is as restless and dangerous as the ancient monarchy. That there can be no such thing as maintaining a mutual intercourse with your government unless we will give up our independence—suffer every kind of humiliation—and subscribe implicitly to their imperious mandates.

But leaving this mode of address, you will afford much satisfaction, and develope fully your conduct and that of your government, by giving a true answer to the following interrogatories.

1st. Was you suspended from your public functions by special order of the Directory, or did you suspend yourself? If not the latter, pray when did you receive letters of suspension.

2. How happened your suspension to take place so exactly in the nick of time, for the election of President and Vice-President of the United States?—Was it not directly intended to bias the election in favour of Mr. Jefferson?—What were your reasons for singularizing him, from the list of candidates?—Was it not because you believed he would be more subservient to the pleasure of your Republic?

3d. What was the reason that the Directory ordered their decree of piracy against the American commerce, not to be published in France?—Was it not that our government and people should not be apprized of it in a time which might give them a fair opportunity to avert the baneful influence the Directory intended it should have on our election above alluded to?

4th. How did you dare to publish an official note addressed to the Executive before the President of the United States had an opportunity of even seeing it?—What strange and extraordinary motive, could have led you to depart so far from the character of a gentleman—so distant from the politesse of a Frenchman—so contrary to the usual and proper course of diplomatic business?—Was it not from your haste to bias at a critical moment the suffrages of the Electors?—I defy you sir, to give any other plausible reason.

5th. What is the reason that the French professing so much fraternity to us, are the only diplomatic gentlemen who have treated our government and people with so much insolence and injustice—that they alone have confederated with rebels, to disorganize, and even to separate from the rest, a part of the United States? That they alone of all the foreign ministers and agents, have constantly given us so much trouble?

6th. What is the reason that the state of Pennsylvania appears so much devoted to French politics, or any bad politics whatsoever? Is it not because of the immense importations into that state of foreigners—generally the most uninformed or abandoned wretches? Who are of course most liable to be deceived, or to be corrupted? Is it not in part owing to the importation of some few of good abilities, but of unprincipled souls?—And in other part to a few Americans in that state, of undeserved influence, who from principles of ambition, envy, and the love, or want of money, would at all times sacrifice the greatest man, or the best interests of the United States?—and sir, have not the men of this latter description been your political confidents?

Unwilling to bear too hard at once upon your time and feelings, I leave you to prepare an answer to the few preceding interrogatories. They are but the exordium to those which are to follow.

In a certain sense I may be sorry to touch upon some of your ministerial intrigues with which you can scarcely possibly conceive how I should become acquainted—and though self-convicted, it would be as much as your life is worth to declare fully and truly, 'Tis therefore I fear the secret will remain for a time at least, between you and

WM. WILLCOCKS.

Nov. 30, 1796.

SOME THOUGHTS ON
THE PROGRESS OF FRENCH POLITICS IN AMERICA.

From the Centinel of Liberty—Printed at George-Town.

At this particular crisis, the post horns of America are filled with the blast of a war with France or England!! we are told by French anarchists, and those of our own country who are the slaves of French politics, that there is no other alternative. To inculcate this belief the more forcibly, French interest has particularly emphasized distinctions, which portend a civil commotion; in which case we may reasonably apprehend they will contemplate in some way or other the conduct of the Fox in the fable.

Folly is soon learned, and under such preceptors who can fail of acquirement.

The terms ADAMITE and JEFFERSONITE, are so distinctly applied by one man to another, that they are become marks of discrimination for friend or foe; as by change of opinion must necessary follow change of that unanimity and good understanding which has hitherto supported the liberties, peace, and happiness of Americans!

In the name of common sense, does the independence of this country rest in the violation of any one individual? Can any President, or other public officer, subvert the freedom of men who are collectively and individually the sole guardians of that freedom?—Can either Thomas Jefferson, or John Adams, wrest from the people, the love of that liberty, whose rights are established in their hearts; or destroy the watchful care and solicitude, which will ever be the Centinel over public officers, employments, and trusts.

The small pre-eminence which nature or cultivation, gives any one man over another justly entitles him to hold such offices and require superior direction:—But the laws of this country has prescribed proper boundaries, which will ever prevent consuls from swelling into dictators, and (comparatively speaking) presidents must, in spite of principle, be as harmless as other people.—But Messrs. Bache, Adet and Co. have their emissaries at work to create these distinctions, to inflame the public mind: and make the people rise to receive politics *A la mode a Francais.*

Men, who have nothing of *their own* to lose, will resort to various expedients to form a pretext for war; and I will undertake to say, would not even stop at electing a President who would lend a hand in the glorious work of paying British debts with a breach of public faith and rioting in the spoils of a general convulsion!! Men of peace beware! Americans! ye are happy, under the influence of a regular, modified, and well conducted government. Be not persuaded to retrench the number of ploughshares and increase the number of swords.—Let no ideal acquisitions urge you to relax industry, and suffer your trade and commerce to expire:—for there are in the bosom of America the seeds of civil discord and destruction, which though she had nothing to fear from without, will most probably make her tremble to her centre, and leave her languishing under the consequences of an unnecessary war. Such is the ascendant power, such the inroads which French politics are making in this country.

They tell us of advantages which are to result in a compliance with their wishes, while, at the same time, they point out disadvantages which they wish us to believe exist only in our moderation and patience. It is true we cannot vie with France either in luxury or elegance, manufacture or commerce—but is not the infancy of our plans, a sufficient excuse for the immaturity of our operations? Is it to be expected that Americans, emanating from primeval obscurity, can equal countries which have employed the genius of so many centuries to mature and perfect.

The world is tired, or ought to be tired, of visionary theories: we can only place real confidence in facts; and I defy France, with all her modern refinement, to open a more extensive prospect of happiness and peace; to frame laws more congenial with the freedom of men, the protection of property; or to hold out such stimulus to industry and exertion as at present exist in this country.

PETRONIUS.

FROM A BOSTON PAPER.

THE MAGNETIC NEEDLE.

We feel a great satisfaction in having it in our power to announce to the public, that a gentleman has discovered the cause of the variation of the magnetic needle; and that, throughout his theory, he has constructed a compass, which stands invariable North and South on all parts of the globe.—The navigators, by this wonderful discovery, can always steer a true course, and the engineer or surveyor will always measure correct angles to the true meridian.

The inventor has termed it AZIMUTAL. By being compared with the common needle, it indicates the true variation. What is most extraordinary in it is, that any quantity of iron placed at one yard distance, does not the least affect it.

We are likewise informed, that the inventor has a needle which indicates the latitude by its dip, and that he will soon be able to produce another by which the longitude shall be discovered through an equitable variation of 90 degrees East or West. By these three sorts of compasses, the azimuth observations, and the altitudes of the sun, or distance from moon or stars shall be laid aside, or at least used as proofs to those inventions; but this last point is not yet proved like the two others.

From what we could collect, it appears that the inventor of the Azimutal is of opinion, that electricity is a fluid and calid agent, and that magnetism is invisible and a frigid agent.

We suspect that the inventor introduces magnetism with an apparatus similar to that of electricity, by conductors. He has shewn his apparatus but to a few confidential friends, and if we credit them, his magnet carries two hundred weight.

The Azimutal has, we are informed, been proved on land and sea, both East and West, and answers every purpose for navigation. By comparing it to all dials is perfectly correct, and when placed in an azimuth compass-box, the observations of amplitudes determine at once its nature and utility.

ON PEACE.

FROM A PARIS PAPER.

England speculates upon a peace; it is necessary and indispensible to her commerce. France desires, and Europe demands a peace. It remains for us to second these general dispositions.

Let us give peace to Germany and to Italy. But let us not treat with England but under the express stipulation, that she shall restore all that has been transferred to her by treason since the commencement of the war.

The ambition of the British government is to obtain an exclusive commerce, and an universal monopoly. Its policy is less to atchieve the conquest of the territory than to possess itself of those military points which insure the empire of the seas. This object has been obtained by the conquest of the islands of Corsica and the Elbe, to which that of Malta may shortly be added. It has been aided by the taking of the Cape of Good Hope, Martinico, and Mole St. Nicholas, in the island of St. Domingo.

But almost the whole of the latter colony, with the islands of Gaudaloupe and St. Lucia, have returned to the dominion of the French, by the freedom which we have given to the blacks. This terrible weapon in our hands threatens, the whole of the English West-India islands. If Mr. Pitt chuses, therefore, to preserve Jamaica and the Windward Islands, he must sue on his knees for a peace, or he will shortly be without a foot of land in the Archipelago. His fleet, his treasures, and his mercenaries will avail him nothing against an enemy who has no occasion for fleet or soldiers, and who have not to encounter with a destructive climate.

ASSIZE OF BREAD.

THE Three-penny Loaf to weigh twelve ounces—the price of warranted good Superfine Flour this day 50s.

A. M'CONNELL.

December 10.

Our influence in the new world is decided by the declaration of rights; to preserve our own, England muſt have a peace: ſhe cannot heſitate, therefore, to reſtore Martinico and Tobago, on our reſtoring what we have conquered in that quarter.

In India the advantages obtained by England are invaluable. Maſters of the Cape of Good Hope, of Ceylon, of Trincomale, and Batavia, they poſſeſs, in fact, all the European eſtabliſhments on the continent of Aſia. Nothing remains to us but the iſles of France and Reunion.

It muſt be allowed that ſuch ſucceſſes have greatly raiſed the Britiſh pride; but when it is conſidered that they cannot profit even of their ancient poſſeſſions in India, but through a peace, and that the maintenance of their military marine would alone abſorb all the profits of their commerce, there can be no doubt but the cabinet of St. James's will make every ſacrifice to treat with the French republic.

The conditions are ſimple. They conſiſt of the reſtitution of all the conqueſts which they had made from Holland and from France, with the reſtoration of Gibraltar to Spain—Without theſe we will go to conquer the Engliſh in London.

FURNITURE.

On Tueſday next at 10 o'clock, will be ſold at the Vendue Store,
A quantity of

Mahogany Furniture,

Conſiſting of
Side Boards, Card Tables, Dining Tables, Secretary, &c.
MARSTELLER & SONS.

FOR SALE,
On the third of January,

That valuable Brick Houſe

and Lot, ſituate on Prince Street, near the Warehouſes of Shreve and Lawraſon, and now occupied by Thomas Steele, 17½ feet front, 44 feet 4 inches deep. The above property will be ſold in fee ſimple, clear of all encumbrances. Terms of ſale ¼ cash, ¼ in 9 months, and the remaining ½ in 18 months. Approved negotiable notes, or a mortgage on the property, will be required.
MARSTELLER & SONS.
December 10.

A JACK for Sale.

THE ſubſcriber has for ſale, on board the brig Neptune, lying at Harper's wharf, a very valuable JACK, between 6 and 7 years old, and celebrated for his foals. If he is not previouſly diſpoſed of at private ſale, he will be ſold at auction, on Saturday the 17th.
JONATHAN LUCE.
December 10.

NOTICE.

HAVING left the Continent for the Weſt Indies, for a few months, I have authoriſed Mr. Peter Deſnoës as my agent for tranſacting the buſineſs carried on by me in this town. Thoſe to whom I am indebted are deſired to call on him for payment; and thoſe who are indebted to me, will pleaſe to pay their reſpective balances to him.
F. VIVENT.

Said Peter Deſnoës, will rent the ſtore and cellar, lately occupied by me in King-ſtreet, and has for ſale on the uſual credit, 19 puncheons of 3d and 4th proof Antigua Rum.
December 8. tf

RED LION TAVERN.

THE ſubſcriber acquaints his friends and the Public in general, that he has opened Tavern in that large and commodious houſe, the corner of King and St. Aſaph ſtreet, in this town, at the ſign of the Red Lion, where he has laid in a ſtock of good Liquors, and is plentifully ſupplied with every neceſſary for the comfortable accommodation of town or country cuſtomers. Travellers will find it their intereſt to call on him, as he is provided with a large ſtable, well ſtocked, and has an attentive and careful hoſtler.

☞ He will take a few genteel boarders, on moderate terms, and will furniſh dinners, oyſter ſuppers, &c. on the ſhorteſt notice.
AMOS DERROUGH.
December 10. 1w2w

Alexandria, December 10.

The Maryland Electors for Preſident and Vice-Preſident of the United States, met at the city of Annapolis on Wedneſday [illegible]. On enumeration of their ballots it appears, that

John Adams had - -	7 Votes.
Thomas Jefferſon - -	4
Thomas Pinckney - -	4
Aaron Burr - - -	3
Patrick Henry - - -	2
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The following extracts are from letters of dates three days later than any before received. They were brought by the Sally, arrived at Boſton; and are from a reſpectable American citizen.

"LONDON, OCT. 15.

"On this day the miniſter, Lord Malmeſbury, ſet off for Paris. Much is ſaid about the appearances of peace: but nobody ſeems to know.—There are certainly many important points for diſcuſſion, and muſt take up ſome time; and the ſtate of things, one would think, would compel both parties to be *moderate*; but there is no accounting for national pride and prejudices. I think that the winter will certainly cloſe the war; though many think differently."

FROM THE SAME.—OCT. 17.

"I have no news to adviſe of further than I had written on the 15th. Lord Malmeſbury has gone for Paris, and will probably get over the Channel this day. Much conjecture and anxiety prevails; there does not ſeem to be any well made opinions. It is talked of, that Mr. Pitt, inſtead of borrowing this year, is to lay a tax on all the capital of the nation equal to his wants, and 35 millions are ſuppoſed to be neceſſary."

LEGISLATURE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NOVEMBER 26.

The meſſage of the governor, as ſtated in our laſt, was committed to a joint committee, who yeſterday reported in favour of a repeal of the preceding reſolution. The Senate took up the report, and by a very large majority determined not to accept the ſame; and ſent it down to the houſe for concurrence. The queſtion of concurrence was fully and ably debated in the houſe, and late laſt evening, it was determined by yeas and nays, in favor of a concurrence with the Senate.

Yeas for concurring	57
Nays - - - - -	41
Majority - -	16

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Paris, dated Sept. 2, to his friend in Philadelphia.

"The French government within theſe 8 days has recalled Mr. Adet—he will make ſome declaration of courſe of diſſatisfaction with our meaſures in America, and ſay that the diplomatic functions of his country ceaſe with him, till ſome future more favorable diſpoſition ſhall call them into action again from France—that a certain number of conſuls are left for the purpoſes of trade to whom they ſtill look for former protection.

"It is thought Spain has ceded to France part of Louiſiana—that France intends there to form an army for the invaſion of Canada—that our back ſettlers are neceſſary for the enterpriſe, and that they think their ſchemes will go better forward whilſt they have no miniſter in the country. Perhaps their policy goes to join our back ſettlements to Louiſiana and Canada. I think however, that the guarantee of the Spaniſh ſettlements in America is the equivalent for Louiſiana. Therefore our people by this plan may loſe the Atlantic ſtates, and would be finally barred by their new friends from getting the ſouthern outlet from their country."

PROCEEDINGS OF
THE FEDERAL LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9.

The ſpeaker informed the houſe that as there were ſeveral returns of new elections come to hand, it was neceſſary that a committee of elections ſhould be appointed. On motion, a committee of ſeven members was accordingly formed.

On motion of Mr. Macon a committee of reviſal of unfiniſhed buſineſs, conſiſting of three members, was appointed.

A meſſage from the ſenate, informing the houſe that a quorum of their body were aſſembled and ready to proceed to buſineſs, having been received, a reſolution to the following effect was agreed to.

"Reſolved that a joint committee of the two houſes be appointed to wait upon the Preſident of the United States, to inform him that a quorum of the two houſes are met, and ready to receive any communications which he may be pleaſed to make to them."

A meſſage was received from the ſenate, informing the houſe, that they concurred in the reſolution which they had entered into, and had appointed a committee accordingly.

Mr. W. Smith ſaid that an act had been paſſed for promulgating the laws of the United States. It was deſirable that that act ſhould include the laws of the preſent ſeſſion, ſo as to complete the whole of the laws of the fourth congreſs, and of the preſent preſidency. A bill was brought in to this effect in the laſt ſeſſion, which was agreed to in the ſenate, but negatived in this houſe, as likely to affect the contract which had been made for printing. He had made enquiries on the ſubject, and believed there was no difficulty in the way of its accompliſhment. He therefore moved a reſolution to the following effect:

"Reſolved, that a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to amend the act for promulgating the laws of the United States." Agreed, and a committee of three members appointed.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury, a reſolution was agreed to authoriſing the clerk of houſe to cauſe every member to be ſerved with three newſpapers, ſuch as he ſhould chuſe.

Mr. Ames from the committee appointed to wait upon the Preſident, informed the houſe that the joint committee had waited upon him, and that he had appointed to meet the two houſes to-morrow at twelve o'clock in the houſe of repreſentatives.

On motion the houſe adjourned till to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5.

This being the day to which Congreſs adjourned from their laſt ſeſſion, the Houſe of Repreſentatives met, and having a quorum aſſembled, proceeded to buſineſs; Mr. Davenport from Connecticut, Mr. Craig from Maryland, and Mr. Jackſon from Teneſſee, new members, being firſt qualified to take their ſeats, according to law.

Mr. W. Smith moved that a meſſage ſhould be ſent to the Senate, to inform them that that houſe had formed a quorum, and was ready to proceed to buſineſs.

Agreed, and a meſſage accordingly ſent.

The ſpeaker announced that he had learnt the Senate had not formed a quorum, and had adjourned till to-morrow.

Mr. W. Smith preſented a petition from Thomas Lloyd, praying to be appointed Stenographer to the houſe, at a ſalary of 1000 dollars per year; in conſideration of which he propoſed to deliver to the houſe daily, 500 copies of the proceedings of Congreſs, printed on demy 8vo. at the price paid for printing only (the houſe finding paper) which he eſtimated would not amount to more than 540 dollars for the ſeſſion, or in proportion for any greater quantity. He promiſes the greateſt faithfulneſs, and to avoid all *appearance* of being appointed officially.

The petition having been read.

Mr. W Smith ſaid an application of a ſimilar kind had been made laſt ſeſſion, which proved unſucceſsful, and he apprehended the preſent petition would meet with a like reception. He would however move that it ſhould be committed to a ſelect committee.

It was accordingly committed to a committee of three members.

On motion the houſe adjourned.

By the ſhip Fair Virginian, arrived here on Thurſday laſt, we learn that the brig Pomona, Capt. King, of Philadelphia, ſailed from Cowes the 25th of Auguſt for Amſterdam.

On the 21ſt of Sept. ſpoke the ſhip Franklin, Allen, from New-York to Cowes; the Lizard bearing E. about 24 leagues.

The ſhip Hamilton, Capt. Farrel, of this port, arrived at Falmouth on the 14th October.

Bennett and Watts,

Have received by the Brig Liberty, from Philadelphia, the following GOODS, which they offer for ſale on moderate terms,

Braſs and Braſs Headed

And Irons, braſs and poliſhed ſteel Fenders, hand bellows, tongs and ſhovels, Crowley ſteel in faggots, German do. anvils, and vices, of all ſizes, poſt coffee mills, copper teakettles joiners planes, Scotch braces and bits, ſaws of all kinds, beſt glaſs hammers and augers, beſt FF Engliſh glazed gun powder a box of very neat gentlemens', ladies', and childrens' hats, made in the Engliſh faſhion, mens' Engliſh ſhoes, patent ſheeting, hoſiery, a variety of oil cloths beſt 10-4 Flanders bed bunk, ſeine twine of the 1ſt quality, folio and quarto poſt paper, foolſcap and common do. ſoal leather, nails, brads, ſpikes & ſprigs, Ticklenburgs, Heſſian and Britiſh oſnaburgs, wool and cotton cards in boxes, tambouring ſilk and cotton of all colours, tea trays, waiters, &c. &c.
December 10.

LANDING
At Harper's wharf, from the brig Neptune Captain Luce, and for ſale,
130 Barrels Boſton Beef,
20 Barrels N. E. Rum,
5 Pipes French Brandy,
15 Caſks froth Raiſins,
30 Bolts Sail cloth,
6 Quarter caſks Sherry Wine,
20 Boxes Candles,
20 Do. Soap,
8 Ton Bar Iron,
5 Chells Bohea Tea,
A quantity of Salt and Cheeſe,
Apply to Samuel Dollaway on board ſaid veſſel, or to
JOHN G. LADD.
December 10.

CAUTION.

THE Public is hereby informed that Robert Abercrombie and Martha his wife, did, on the 6th day of February, 1792, convey a ſmall neſt of Land, containing 20¼ acres, lying in the county of Fairfax, near the Mill of Mr. Harſhorne, unto Joſeph Horton, who ſold and conveyed the ſame unto me, and put me in poſſeſſion of it. The deed from Abercrombie to Horton, the deed from Horton to me, owing to difficulty of collecting the witneſſes, have not been recorded. If either of the parties, Abercrombie or Horton, ſhould from that circumſtance, offer to make ſale of the Land again, all perſons are forewarned from purchaſing, as I am in the poſſeſſion, and will by virtue of the ſales before-mentioned, hold the ſame againſt any ſecond purchaſor.
THOMAS VOWELL, Sen.
December 10. 3t

To be Sold,

A Mulatto Joiner and Carpenter, who underſtands his buſineſs. For terms, pleaſe to enquire of
BENJAMIN DULANY.
Clermont, Oct. 15. tf.

THE subscriber offers for sale the following valuable Property :—The Estate on which he now lives, known by the name of CLIFTON MILLS, containing 205 acres, about 70 of which are cleared, and under good fencing, situate in Loudoun County, Virginia, near the turnpike road leading from Ashby's gap of the Blue Ridge, to Alexandria, from which place, the City of Washington, and George-Town, it is distant about 50 miles. The improvements are a large and well constructed Merchant Mill, with two water wheels and three pair of stones, two of which are burrs —the is in complete repair, with the whole of Evans's machinery, and is capable of manufacturing 300 barrels Flour per week, A saw Mill. A large new stone distillery, forty feet square, with a sufficient quantity of copper to make 50 gallons of spirits per day. A house for the distiller, miller, cooper, waggoner, and blacksmith, with their several shops, &c. A new frame dwelling House, two stories high, with two chimnies and four rooms, handsomely finished, with kitchen, stables, &c. The Mill and Distillery, in point of situation and convenience are inferior to none. Also, the following parcels of Land in Kentucky—10,000 acres on the Red River, in the county of Clarke; 66914 acres on the waters of Big Sandy, in the county of Bourbon; 4,685 acres in Madison county, within 7 or 8 miles of the Court house; 3,910 acres on the waters of the Rolling Fork, in Nelson county; 8,600 acres on the waters of Sinking Creek, Lincoln county, on which there is a very valuable salt spring; and 7,500 acres, within three miles of Bullit's last works. Also, a tract of Land in the county of Alleghany, and State of Pennsylvania, containing 500 acres, together with a waggon and team of 5 good young Horses. To any person who will purchase the whole of the above property, the terms will be easy and accommodating. Cash, lots in the Town of Alexandria, Alexandria Bank Stock, or Morris and Nicholson's paper will be taken in payment for the whole or any part.

JOSEPH LEWIS, Jun.

Clifton, Nov 28. 12wcp

PHILIP WANTON,

RESPECTFULLY informs that he has removed his Merchandize to his Store lately occupied by Janney & Irish, in Prince Street, near Ricketts and Newton's new buildings, where he is opening an extensive assortment of HARDWARE, just received from Europe, and selected from several importations.

A few tons of Pot metal well assorted,
A quantity of 56's and smaller weights,
Sole Leather,
Excellent Indigo and Dye Stuffs,
Clover and Timothy seed.

N. B. Having convenient room, intend storage of Flour, and receiving other Merchandize for sale upon commission.

Cash given for flax seed, white beans, bee wax, and various other kinds of produce.

October 27.

HUGH SMITH,

HAS now opened at his store, next door above Mr. Allison's, King Street,

Elegant Nankeen Table

China, full and half sets Tea China, Cups and Saucers, Coffee, do. do. Breakfast do. do. Tea Pots, Bowls, Sugar Dishes, Cream Ewers, and Jugs.

Has also for sale,

Queen's Ware in crates,

well assorted, and in good order, English and German Glass in small boxes, Blankets, Flannels, Scarlet Cardinals, &c. Starch in barrels, and half barrels, Yellow Ochre in barrels, Pipes by the box.

N. B. Country Store keepers may be supplied on low terms with China or Queens Ware repacked with the greatest care.

November 3.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber requests all those to whom he stands indebted by open account or otherwise, to call on him at the head of King-street, one house above Mr. Francis Peyton's for payment;—and all those who are indebted will please to call and settle their respective balances, or be will be under the painful necessity of commencing suit immediately.

THOMAS RICHARDS.

Nov. 29. 3wcp.

BLANK BONDS
FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.

FOR SALE,
A FEW DINING SETS OF ELEGANT
NANKEEN CHINA,

consisting of 188 pieces each.

Liverpool and Cadiz salt in bulk; and salt in sacks—
100 quarter chests Teas of different kinds—
60 puncheons Jamaica, W. Island and continental Rum—
Madeira, Sherry, Lisbon, Teneriffe, Malaga, Corsica and Port Wines, in hhds. pipes and quarter-casks—
French brandy, Holland gin, London bottled porter—
Loaf sugar in barrels, Muscovado sugars—
Coffee—
Cotton in bags,
Rice, indigo, fig blue, copperas, madder, rosin, best mustard in bottles, pepper, pimento, nutmegs, mace, cloves, cassia, capers, olives in bottles and jars, anchovies in jugs.

Soal leather of the best quality—Salt-petre, refined and crude—white and brown soap, dipped and mould candles of Philadelphia manufacture—race and ground ginger—Lesper's snuff of different qualities in bladders and bottles.

Also, one box of 7-8 and one do. 4 4 Irish linen, well assorted.

MANDEVILLE & JAMESSON.

October 10. tf

JOSEPH CARY,
HAS FOR SALE,
At his warehouse on King Street, near Ramsay's Wharf,

One hundred boxes Tin,

Of the first quality,

November 22. 3w

UNION BREWERY.

Strong & Table Beer

is now ready to be delivered to purchasers at the Union Brew-House.

Nov. 29. tf.

GEORGE DRINKER and SAMUEL STANSBURY having entered into partnership under the firm of

Drinker and Stansbury,

In the store formerly occupied by George Drinker, have now opened a general assortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery and Brass Wares, Castings, &c.

White Lead Ground in Oil
Spanish Brown ditto do.
Yellow Ochre ditto do.

Red lead; Prussian blue; patent yellow; vermilion; verdigrise; chalk; whiting and putty; 7-8, 8-10, 9-11 and 10-12 window glass; powder and shot; copal and common varnish; spirits of turpentine; hatters trimmings; aqua fortis; quick silver; logwood and glue; white soap; mould and dipp'd candles; slates; brushes; corks, &c. &c.

ALSO,

A small assortment of DRY GOODS wholesale, consisting of cloths, cashmers muslins, hosiery, modes, nankeens, ribbons &c. July 14

Wm. Hartshorne & Sons,
HAVE FOR SALE,

Loaf and Brown Sugar in barrels,
Pork in do.
Coffee in hhds. and bbls.
Fine and coarse Salt,
30 casks 3d. and 4d. nails.
Bar Iron and Steel.

ALSO,

A few pieces of Bafta Muslin,
A quantity of long and short gloves,
2 trunks of Irish Linen,
And are in daily expectation of
2 bales of Rugs, and 3 bales of twilled five bushel sacks from Baltimore.

October 29.

Rob. Patton & Ch. Scott

HAVE received by sundry vessels from Europe, their Fall supply of Goods, which they are now opening for sale, at their Wholesale Store, King street.

N. B. They have single and double F Gun-powder, which they will sell by the quantity or cask. Seine Twine by the bundle or larger quantity.

November 5.

FLAX SEED
THAT IS BRIGHT AND WELL CLEANED,
PURCHASED BY
October 11. JOHN C. LADD

French School.

MR. LEFEBVRE respectfully informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Alexandria, and its vicinity, that he is now opening a School at Mr. William Irvin's, St. Asaph Street, for the purpose of teaching the French Language. He will also wait upon those at their own houses who find it inconvenient to attend his School.

Mr. Lefebvre hopes that his endeavours will be the more certain of success, as he was born and educated at Paris.

He also means to open an EVENING SCHOOL, from 6 to 9 o'clock, for those whose occupations prevent their attendance in the day. For further information please to apply to Mr. Lefebvre, at Dr. Ott's.

Dec. 8 1mep.

Private Academy,

AS I am engaged in the education of my own children, I will admit as many scholars as I can faithfully instruct, and no more; and propose to teach Reading, the English Language grammatically, with the principles of Elocution and Composition, Writing, Spelling, Arithmetic, vulgar and decimal, Mensuration of surfaces and solid bodies, Geography and the Classics.

I will also, if I meet with encouragement, open a separate class for young Ladies, to instruct them in English Grammar, Composition, particularly of letters, &c. Writing, Spelling, Geography, and such a plain system of Arithmetic and keeping accounts, as is peculiarly suited to housewifery.

Any parents or guardians, who incline to honour me with the instruction of their children or wards, may depend on their being respectfully treated; and that every possible exertion to bring them forward in their studies, will be made, by their most obedient servant.

JAMES WILSON,

Fairfax Street, 4 doors above the market-square. Dec. 8. 1m

Jackson & Dunnington,

HAVE just received and for sale, at their Store in King Street,
A Small Assortment of
HARDWARE,
Consisting of

Copper and Iron Tea Kettles, Gridirons, Chafing Dishes, Box Coffee Mills, Pad Locks, Frying Pans, Spades and Shovels, Razor Straps, Shaving Boxes, Shoe and Hearth Brushes, best fleet plate Hand Saws, Carpenter's Rules, Powder and Shot, Gun Worms, Shovels and Tongs, 8d. 10d. 12d. and 20d. Nails, &c. &c.

November 22.

IRISH LINENS

THE subscriber having received by the ship Polly and Nancy from Liverpool a few boxes 4-4 and 7-8 LINEN, and a few pieces CAMBRICK, which he has opened at Mr. Alex. Mackenzie's store in Prince-street, will sell them low for Cash or a short Credit.

FRANCIS M'CLURE.

October 22. tf

WASHINGTON,

Commissioner's-Office,
Nov. 8, 1796.

THE Commissioners are desirous of contracting for the delivery of the following articles in the city of Washington, to wit: One million of good place bricks; six thousand bushels of unslacked lime; 150 barrels of pork; 40 barrels of beef, and 1500 bushels of bolted or sifted Indian Meal.

On bond, with approved security being given by the several contractors for the due performance of their respective contracts, the necessary advances will be made. Proposals for said contracts, forwared to the Commissioner's Office, at any time before the second Monday in December next will be attended to.

By Order.

4w6w THOS. MUNROE, Clk.

Hands wanted.

I WISH to hire 15 or 16 stout working negroes for the ensuing year. Also to purchase about six thousand weight of Pork, seven or eight thousand weight of Beef, and six or seven hundred bushels of Corn. Apply at the Great Falls to Mr. Thomas Evans, or to me in Alexandria.

JOHN POTTS.

December 8. 3t

List of Letters

Remaining in the Post Office at Alexandria, December 1, 1796.

A.—Benjamin Andrews.
B.—Wm. Bone; Elizabeth Durall; James Bondwith; Mary Barker; Henry Barr; Elias Briars; Sam. Brown; Buchan, Patton and Co. Fran. Boyle, Joseph Bennett; Robert Bath; John Belheurt, (Frenchman); D. Brown; George Boyon, on board the Polly and Nancy; Bernard Bryan; Charity Bryan; John Bacon; William Burkett; Tobias Bond, printer; Robert Burton; Nancy Burden; Hugh Barr; Theo. Bouchier.
C.—Eliza Carter; Patrick Currie; Alexander Carpenter; John Carr; Stephen Chapman; William Chapman; John Crowley; John Campbell; Mr. Carey, tanner; John Coad.
D.—John B. Dabney; John Derret; Jno. Dalrymple; John Davis, sadler; J. Dunmaid; John Dough, tavern keeper; John Duff; James Davidson; Jesse Donbarr; Ben. Dulany, jun.
E.—John Edwards; John Ellwood; John Elliott; Kitty Elfave; Joseph English.
F.—Thomas Fitzgerald; Thomas Farrell; Thomas Farrell, sadler; Thomas Fite; Jonathan Faw; Edward Ford; Magdeline Foul; Thomas Fairfax; Francis Fairbairn; Ab. Faw.
G.—Benjamin Gwyn; Benjamin Green; George Green, care of Wm. Rhodes; James Gilbrath; Jos. Grannall; F. Gray; Thomas Gunnel; Thos. Genkins; John Gibbins, carpenter.
H.—William L. Hall; John L. Ferren; David Hute; Wm. Hunter, jun. Mary Hall, near Ackatink Church; M. Hagner; Benjamin Harrison; Joseph W. Harrison; Walter Harris; Thomas Harrison; Richard Harwood; W. Hickman; Wm. Hoy; John C. Hunter; John Hickman and Co.
J.—Crowley Jordan; Benjamin Jacils; Benjamin James; Colen Jackson; Mr. Johnston, at Mr. Hartshorne's mill.
K.—Smith Keith; John Kent; James Kenny, at Mr. M'Cue's.
L.—Jesse Luce; Ann Lake; Henry Lane; Ralph Longdon; cap. Sam. Lambert; Fielding Lewis; Jesse V. Lewis, printer; Robert G. Levingston; Robert Lyle.
M.—John Mullikin; James Morrison, care of Wm. Bulbby; John Money, painter; Wm. M'Cullock; J. Marner; Thomas M'Gee; Dan. M'Carty; George M'Doel, taylor; Thomas Mason; George Minor, jun. John Moss; James E. Marshall; cap. Benjamin Moody; T. M'Mahan, care of Wm. Hartshorne; Citizen Mormet.
N.—Amos Newhall.
O.—Mr. Odds, ship carpenter.
P.—James Patterson, Thomas Patterson, Joseph F. Price, Wm. B. Page.
R.—Edward Rooney, Alex. Rhea, James Reed, Philip Russell, George Rutter, Sarah Rowe, Wm. Rhodes, John Ross, Sarah Reynolds.
S.—John Smith, Capt. Nathaniel Spooner, Mr. Smith, (Carpenter,) Capt. Ezra Smith, Capt. Abram Stone, John Smith, (care of Jacob Forney, Blacksmith,) Capt. Lewis Savanoe, Wm. Silver, Mr. Smith, (Shoemaker,) Mathew Smoot, Joseph Sackett, Adam M. Stewart, George Spangler, Wm. Smith, James Smith, Jun. Jesse Small, (care of George Rutter.)
T.—Henry Tapscott, Peter Tossler.
V.—Samuel Vail, Wm. Valandagham.
W.—Wm. Washington, John Woodley, Thomas Wesl, John Wells, James White, Capt. Henry Webb.
Y.—Peter Young, Fred. Yeaman, John Yeaman.

JAMES M. M'REA, P. M.

ATTORNEY AND AGENT BUSINESS.

GEORGE MUIR, a Member of the faculty of Procurators in Glasgow, and a Notary Public in Scotland, and who for many years practised as an Attorney and Agent in Glasgow, offers his services to the Public in that line of business.

He will write out Powers of Attorney, Indentures, Bonds, Leases, &c. and in particular, any Deeds to have effect in Scotland, on reasonable terms.

He will collect debts, and transact any other business as an agent on a moderate commission.

Apply to him at the Rev. Dr. Muir's, Alexandria.

November 24.

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